

the right to free speech penned by the first Americans was intended to include the right to equal access to that expression, and the founding fathers would not have countenanced the monopolization of the media, press, radio or television by a few large corporations that do not permit journalistic freedom, but instead use their journalistic power to bolster their corporate economic agendas that serve only to create greater stratification of wealth at the expense of the well-being of this nation's elderly, the education of our youth, and the general citizenry. A nation run by the wealthy, in service to the wealthy is not a democracy; it is an oligarchy, which the first Americans rightfully understood as unfair, unrepresentative, and fundamentally immoral. The FCC should not countenance further consolidation of America's media into the hands of a corporate few.